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1. Vyacheslav A. Malyshev was born in Syktyvkar and received his professional training at the Institute of Mechanics, from which he received his diploma as an engineer of machine construction. He spent five years in the Kolomna locomotive works.
2. Some time after 1930 he became supervising engineer in the Kolomna factory. In 1936 he became deputy representative People's Commissar for heavy machine construction; in 1939, head of the Kolomna factory, People's Commissar for heavy machine construction, and member of the Central Committee of the Party; from 1940 to 1943, deputy representative president of the Council of People's Commissars and head of the economic committee for machine construction; from 1940 to 1945 People's Commissar for the construction of medium machinery and tanks, Lt. Gen. and later Col. Gen. of the Engineer Corps, and received the Lenin Order; Kutusov Order, First Class; Suvorov Order, First Class; "Hero of the Soviet Union". From 1945 to 1947 he was Minister for construction of transport machines and commissar for planning of the transport industry; in 1947 deputy president of the ministerial council. From 1950 to 1952, Minister for Ship Construction, member of the Supreme Soviet, member of the Presidium, but on the limitation of the numbers of the latter, he was dropped from it. After Stalin's death, he was Minister for Heavy Machinery and Transport construction. Relieved by Nossenko in July 1953, he became Minister for Medium Machine Industry and head of the Atomic Energy Commission.
3. Malyshev has been a personal supporter of Stalin since 1938, but was regarded especially as a technical man.

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